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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 344
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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Linda V. Bauch on her new position with the American Petroleum Institute and to wish her well.

WHEREAS, Linda V. Bauch astutely served the citizens of Tennessee for fifteen years in various positions with the Department of Employment Security, the State Library and Archives and the Tennessee Historical Commission; and

WHEREAS, by means of her peerless dedication and considerable talents, she rose to the position of public information officer at the Department of Employment Security before departing for private sector employment; and

WHEREAS, she joined the Tennessee Petroleum Council in 1985 as Associate Director; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Council is a division of the American Petroleum Institute, the largest petroleum industry trade association in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Linda V. Bauch has performed her many duties with such distinction that her services have been highly sought after by the Petroleum Councils of Alabama and North Carolina; she has worked proficiently with the legislatures of both of these states; and

WHEREAS, Linda concurrently serves as Associate Director of the Georgia Petroleum Council, working closely with the members of the petroleum industry and members of the Georgia General Assembly; and

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WHEREAS, she has earned recognition as an expert on petroleum industry issues and related environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, Linda Bauch has used her expertise to benefit Tennessee citizens and legislators by serving with purpose and commitment as a member of the Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Study Committee and as co-chair of the Used Oil Study Committee; and

WHEREAS, she has been instrumental in developing several pieces of far-reaching and innovative legislation that have been enacted by the Tennessee General Assembly, including the "Tennessee Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Act of 1988" and the "1995 Used Oil Collection Act"; and

WHEREAS, Linda Bauch was awarded the degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence in 1992, and was subsequently admitted to practice law before Tennessee and Federal Courts; and

WHEREAS, since graduating from law school, Linda has generously volunteered her time and talents to serve the students and her fellow alumni and alumnae of the Nashville School of Law by raising money for the school and by chairing the annual recognition dinner in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Linda Bauch will soon leave behind many friends and well-wishers as she moves to Washington, DC to assume new challenges and opportunities as an Exploration Affairs Associate with the Industry Operations Group for the American Petroleum Institute; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Linda V. Bauch upon her meritorious service to this Body and to the citizens of Tennessee as Associate Director of the Tennessee Petroleum Council and commend her on a job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to Ms. Bauch our best wishes for every continued success and happiness in her new position with the American Petroleum Institute and her new life along the Potomac River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.